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Among the School Exhibits at the State Fair.

We are all more or less interested in school work and therefore the educational exhibit has received a great deal of attention at the State Fair. Hernando County took the first premium on the largest and best educational exhibit, a \$200 prize.

Sixty-five feet of space is occupied by the exhibit made. Rev. A. M. C. Russell, who for eighteen years has had charge of Hernando's schools, as county superintendent. Thirteen schools are here represented under twelve green and white decorated arches. The green means rural and the white prohibition. Under its own arch, in the front of the booth and its corresponding one on the back wall is grouped the best work of the pupils, each one of whom has three volumes of written work that represent his or her daily work. These books contain the weekly examinations, the daily written work, drawing and in the grades below the seventh, penmanship.

Hernando County took the first prize of \$200 for the county making the largest and best educational exhibit, also for the best system of rural schools, a \$100 prize. Then Hernando took the prize for the Ausburg System of drawing, which is taught in all grades of Hernando's schools. The General Gilchrist prize of \$100 for best display of county system of schools also goes to Hernando.

Prsco's school exhibit reflects great credit on Prof. P. W. Corr, of Dade City, who has recently been elected principal of the Dade City High School for the coming five years. Pasco county made no appropriation, and the exhibit is made at the expense of Prof. Corr. The school board having recently made a \$3000 addition to the High School for the use of the Normal, the Professor did not feel like asking for help in making his exhibit. But he has secured premiums enough to make the expense. Pasco captured the \$100 prize for the best exhibit for city schools, also the \$25 prize for the largest and best individual school exhibit. Pasco won second prize of \$50 for the best county schools. Pasco also took off the highest prize for latin, the prizes on bugs and woods, \$10 each, and Prof. Corr took a \$10 prize for the best essay on Normal training.

Prof. Corr is proud of the fact that the pupils from his schools and especially his Normal, always lead in mathematics and the sciences. In teachers examinations the grading is done by mathematics and the teachers Prof. Corr turns out are always proficient in that study. The normal course runs in the Dade City schools until the June examinations, and there is no need for our young teachers to go farther than Dade City to get ready for the examinations. Prof. Corr is well known in DeSoto and stands high both as a Christian gentleman and instructor. The Pasco school exhibit is mainly the work of the Dade City schools, but one country school, that at Richland, being on exhibit.

Hurrah for DeSoto! Even if she didn't get the first county prize she stood a close third in line and carried many first prizes. Great is DeSoto!

And the Tampa Fair lasted a whole week longer than was originally intended. Guess that this is positively the last of the Florida State Fair for 1908.

THE CHAMPION'S Job Department has been unusually busy this week. There is a reason too. It is because our work is its own strongest and best advertisement.

THE CHAMPION would like to have a live correspondent in every DeSoto county community. If yours isn't regularly represented in our columns please stir yourself and see that it is. A good weekly letter from your town will help you and it will help to make THE CHAMPION an interesting, readable paper.

The campaign has been formally opened in DeSoto county. On the last page of this issue will be found the first five political announcements of the season. Particular attention is called to the fact that of these five only one comes from a man who can really claim Arcadia as his home, R. B. Campbell. This in spite of the fact that certain of our contemporaries have been crying, "Look out for the Arcadia crop of candidates!" Of course Arcadia will have several more candidates before the campaign is over, yet we feel sure, not more than her share when you consider population, etc.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. H. Keigwin, Pastor
Services every Sunday, 11 a. m.
and 7:15 p. m.

Sunday School at 10 a. m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday,
7:15 p. m.

All are cordially invited and made welcome.

Subject of next Sunday morning, "God Reconciled to Man."

Evening, "Man Reconciled to God."

Last Sunday morning the subject and the text was "The Glory that shall be revealed in us." Rom. 8:18 and the attempt was made to gather out of the Bible some of the particulars of the future state of existence for those who are in Christ. On the subject of immortality, and the nature of the future state of existence we are entirely ignorant except as it taught us by a revelation from God. The wisest philosopher knows no more about it than the child. Reason and science can cast some light beyond the grave which render it probable that "if a man die he shall live again," but not till Jesus Christ came and "brought life and immortality to light through the gospel," was the glorious fact clearly established beyond a doubt. He was so manifestly the "Teacher sent from God" that we may confidently rely upon his assurance "in my father's house are many mansions" and "I go to prepare a place for you, that where I am there ye may be also." Then also the inspired apostles, who were taught by Christ, give us some valuable revelation upon "the glory that shall be revealed in us." They give us some particulars of

THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION BODY

1. It is a "Spiritual body", which shall be resurrected, as Paul assures us in 1 Cor. 15:44. "Flesh and blood shall not inherit the kingdom of God." 1 Cor. 15:50 "Flesh and blood are composed of atoms which disintegrate in the grave, and these elements are recombined in other forms of atomic matter, but science as well as scripture teaches that in and under the changeable particles of the body is a something more attenuated than so called matter. It is what science calls "a non-atomic substance," indivisible and indestructible and which the Scriptures call the "Spiritual body" and this the Bible assures us shall be raised out of the grave.

IT IS A BODY LIKE CHRIST'S

2. After his resurrection his body could become visible or invisible at his pleasure as witnessed by the Emmaus disciples; it could pass through closed doors as at the first Sunday night meeting of the disciple's band it could become independent of gravitation and rise above the earth as at his ascension. An illustration of this fact is seen in one of the common objects of nature. Water. As ice it is hard and heavy, as water it is soft and fluid and visible, as steam it is invisible and lighter than air and rises independent of gravitation. The same particles of matter are in all three of these forms, only heat has made the difference in their manifestations. And so we are told Phil. 3:21 "Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his own glorious body."

A SHINING BODY

3. Jesus tells us, Matt. 13:43 "Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom of the Father." An illustration was given on the Mount of Transfiguration when "His face did shine as the sun and His raiment was white as the light." We are told, 1 John 3:2 "When He shall appear

we shall be like Him for we shall see Him as He is."

A BEAUTIFUL BODY

If the chemist can bring out of black, ugly coal tar, the analene dyes which are a glorious revelation in the beauty of colors and if the ugly crawling worm becomes the beautiful butterfly God can make this corruptible body a marvel of more than angelic beauty

A POWERFUL BODY

5. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. 1 Cor. 15:43. It is a body which united to Christ gets a clutch upon our impotence as Sampson in the days of his Nazarite purity drew out from God.

In conclusion it was shown that

THE GLORIFIED MIND

Shall ever expand amid its favorable environment and "know even as we are known" and

THE GLORIFIED SOUL

Made perfect in holiness shall be in its limited sphere like God, who is infinitely holy. And now in view of all the glory that awaits the Christian, "he that hath this hope in him ought to purify himself even as He is pure"

DeSoto's Booth; Woman's Building.

Mrs. Neva C. Child, who is well known throughout the state as editress of the Arcadia CHAMPION, represents DeSoto county in the woman's building. This interesting little booth has one contribution that has probably caused more comment from both men and women visitors than any one thing in the building. This is a monster fruit cake, weighing seventy-five pounds. A loaf of bread that is almost its equal in size comes from the same kitchen—that of Mrs. H. W. Smith, of Punta Gorda. Another very interesting exhibit is a collection of four pillows, which are notable not so much for their decorative covers, but for their stuffing, which is of Spanish moss, Alpaca wool and goose feathers. These are all from the farm of Mrs. C. C. Pearce, of Arcadia, who made the pretty covers. Several garments sent from the Baptist orphanage give an idea of the good practical work that is being done there. Conspicuous among the fancy work are to centerpieces, a sailor collar and a baby cap of point lace made by Mrs. Newton Barco. Mrs. J. S. Sauls, of Hickman, has three centerpieces showing fine samples of battenberg and drawn work. Among the crochet is a bedspread and two centerpieces by Mrs. B. Roesch. Two pretty pieces of colored silk embroidery are the handiwork of Mrs. Belle Carr, of Fort Ogden. From this same town Mrs. D. S. Smoke, Mrs. A. D. Smith, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. E. H. Morgan have sent a collection including drawn work, silk embroidery and cut work. A dainty drawn work pillow is from the needle of Miss Pearl Stephens, of Charlotte Harbor, and a set of crochet mats comes from Mrs. Ed Scott, wife of DeSoto's commissioner. A quilt over 100 years old is lent by Mrs. S. N. Swindall and Mrs. Curry, of Punta Gorda, has sent all the palmetto work and basketry that is shown. Two curios that have attracted considerable attention are a beaten brass case, made by a convict in Siberia, and a large Russian somavar, over 100 years old. This is the property of Mrs. G. M. Tulley, of Tampa. Mrs. Child has a number of souvenir post cards picturing her home town—Arcadia. There are also a collection of attractive looking folders from the press of the Arcadia CHAMPION, showing the "Artistically Neat Printing done by the Child brothers.—Tampa Tribune.

MY DEPARTMENT

Things That Interest Me Told in My Way For Those Who See as I See, by "IT"

Opportunity.

They do me wrong who say I come no more
When once I knock and fail to find you in;
For every day I stand outside your door,
And bid you wake, and ride to fight and win.

Wail not for precious chances passed away,
Weep not for golden ages on the wane!
Each night I burn the records of the day;
At sunrise every soul is born again.

Laugh like a boy at splendors that have sped,
To vanished joys be blind and deaf and dumb;
My judgments seal the dead past with its dead,
But never bind a moment yet to come.

Though deep in mire, wring not your hands and weep
I lend my arm to all who say "I can!"
No shamefaced outcast ever sank so deep
But yet might rise and be again a man!

Dost thou behold thy lost youth all aghast?
Dost reel from righteous retribution's blow?
Then turn from blotted archives of the past
And find the future's pages white as snow.

Art thou a mourner? Rouse thee from thy spell;
Art thou a sinner? Sins may be forgiven,
Each morning gives thee wings to flee from hell,
Each night a star to guide thy feet to heaven!

—Walter Malone, Published by Fowler & Simpson Co.

See the political announcements on last page.

THE CHAMPION office makes a specialty of printing fine halftone illustrations, etc. We can do the work right because we have the right machinery and our workmen know how. "Nuff sed."

THE CHAMPION wishes to call attention to the fact that all communications for publication should be sent to our office as early as Wednesday noon to insure publication. There is always a rush of matter the last day in every weekly newspaper office, and sometimes that rush is so large that we can't accommodate all your copy is not in early.

If you are in the least skeptical about the value of advertising, you have only to look at the leading advertisers in the newspapers to find the leading stores of the cities. This rule applies all over the country. The leading merchants of New York City are the greatest advertisers. It is the same everywhere. Start at once and see if you can't make a profit.—Waldo News

Archimaden was right. But he failed. He couldn't get the lever nor the fulcrum. Here the rule is: Say no evil about one, believe no evil except when proven, and when proven face him with it. That's the fulcrum. Then see all the good you can in others, and the easiest of all, love your neighbor as yourself. That's the lever. Try it now and see if you don't move the world.

We can't help admiring the Wauchula Advocate's pluck when it says: "Our announcement column is open to all candidates alike: \$5.00 strictly in advance for announcements not making more than two inches in six point type. This is all the space we have for sale at any price anywhere in our paper to any candidate for political matter." Now, candidly, Editor Goolsby is right, but the trouble is, some of the rest of us are not so financially independent as he is. THE CHAMPION has, however reserved its editorial page and no one can buy political or other space there. We do open our other columns to political matter at a reasonable rate, always reserving the right to designate it as political advertising.

Don't Give Up.

If you've tried and have not won,
Never stop for crying;
All that's great and good is done
Just by patient trying.

Though young birds, in flying, fall,
Still their wings grow stronger;
And the next time they can keep
Up a little longer.

Tho' the sturdy oak has known
Many a blast that bowed her,
She has risen again and grown
Loftier and prouder.

If by easy work you beat,
Who the more will prize you?
Gaining victory from defeat,
That the test that tries you.

—Phoebe Cary in True-Democrat.